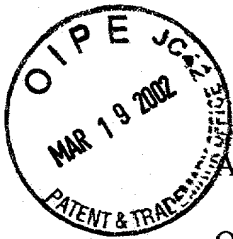


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As below-named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names, that we believe that we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a United States patent is sought on the design entitled **STRAND FEEDER DEVICE**, the specification of which:

- ☐ is attached hereto; or
- ☒ was filed on November 27, 2001, as application Serial No. 09/994,904
- ☐ and was amended on (if applicable)

that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above; that we do not know and do not believe that said design was ever known or used in the United States of America before our invention or discovery thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before our invention or discovery thereof, or more than one year prior to this application, or in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application; that said design has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued prior to the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by us or our legal representatives or assigns; and that we acknowledge the duty to disclose information of which we are aware which is material to the examiner of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a).

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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None

We hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States Application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States Application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing

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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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